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Subject: RE: BMP Compendium

Thank you Lucinda—this is an excellent compromise in order to get the BMP Guide out. Just yesterday, I had the York County Conservation District and Planning Commission asking again for it. I will share this update with them and their partners at this Friday's coalition meeting.

Kristen

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Sent: Wednesday, July 18, 2018 10:50 AM

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Subject: RE: BMP Compendium

Nicki/Kristen/Jill:

I spoke with Jeremy yesterday and he plans to finalize, post, and distribute the "first edition" of the BMP guide by the first week of August. This first edition includes the majority of the urban and agriculture BMPs, and all of the heavy-hitter, high priority, highly used practices. The "second edition" will include the less utilized BMPs (e.g., biofilters, legume covers, poultry litter amendments), septic BMPs, and any BMPs that are currently being reviewed by expert panels.

We will notify you directly once the BMP guide is posted in early August. Please don't hesitate to let me know if you have any questions in the meantime.

Thanks, Lucinda

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Subject: RE: BMP Compendium

Thank you both for the quick response. Anything you can do to expedite this would be greatly appreciated. One last success story for Rich before he retires sounds like a great idea too me!!

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Subject: Re: BMP Compendium

Thanks for the nudge Nikki. I will work with Rich to make sure we get that out maybe before he retires ha ha. Jim

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 16, 2018, at 3:51 PM, Batiuk, Rich < Batiuk.Richard@epa.gov wrote:

Nicki-

Thanks for raising this to Jim and my attention. I will follow up with Jeremy to get a definitive answer on completion of the compendium as well as see what steps I can take to speed up this process towards completion. I hear and share your frustration with the timing of the compendium, but I also know that Jeremy does outstanding work and expect the same for the compendium.

Thanks, Rich

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Subject: BMP Compendium

Importance: High

Jim and Rich,

I am hearing that the long promised BMP Compendium that Jeremy Hanson has been working on has not been finalized. Answers as to when it will be finished are not definitive. This is really putting us in a bind. This Compendium was promised to us early in the Phase 3 WIP planning process as an essential piece in our planning and local engagement efforts. It is extremely difficult for us to move forward with the counties to begin their countywide action plans when we don't even have the common language as to what a basic definition of the BMPs is. We are counting on this compendium to be our tool to provide that information. We need this information, and we need it now.

To add to the difficulties, it was agreed that this Compendium would also be part of our Standard Operating Procedures for the implementation of our Agricultural Compliance Inspections. We added the link to this Compendium at the urging of EPA to insure compliance with EPA protocols for verification and to facilitate a common definition when our conservation district and regional office staff are out doing these inspections. Now we have a document released to the world with a link to a document that doesn't exist. This does not go over well with our partners in the world of conservation districts.

This Compendium was supposed to be done almost a year ago. We need it now. Anything you could do to expedite its completion would be greatly appreciated. If there is anything I can do to facilitate its completion, please let me know. I look forward to working with you to address this issue as quickly as possible.

Thank you for your consideration.

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